

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP ART UNIT 2811**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application. No: 10/032,686

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Inventor(s):

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Title: EXTERNAL POWER
RING WITH MULTIPLE
TAPINGS TO REDUCE
IR DROP IN
INTEGRATED CIRCUIT

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Examiner: Vu, Hung K.

Group/Art Unit: 2811

Atty. Dkt. No: VIU.01-0001-US

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RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION OF
FEBRUARY 8, 2008**

Dear Sir or Madam:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of February 8, 2008, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.